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CANADA AND MARSHALL PLAN

There is intense interest now back stage in Ottawa regarding the developments leading to the operations of the U.S. Marshall Plan for aiding European economic recovery because it is believed here that this scheme will not only help the nations abroad to get on their feet quicker but that it will facilitate Canada's own economic recovery from its position due to the shortage of U.S. dollars with whispers heard along Parliament Hill claiming that the U.S. will use either large credits or cash to allow more U.S. dollars here and ease as quickly as possible our own import restrictions which are causing wide-spread concern across the line in the U.S.

One spokesman for the Canadian Government has stated that Canada's post war contributions to Western Europe has already reached one and three-quarters billion dollars. Canada has borne this contribution with one-twelfth of the population of our neighbor to the south and one-eighth of their national income though the contribution by Canada has been one-fifth of that made by the U.S. "Our present dollar position is due in a large extent to the need to sell for credit yet to buy for cash", this spokesman emphasized.

Evidently, the operations of the Marshall Plan will likely ease Canada's own U.S. dollar position and this seems to be recognized in the U.S. as a necessary part of the scheme in actual practice.

GROWTH OF SERVICE

It is disclosed here that the civil service staff of the Canadian Government now consists of 32,503 permanent employees and 22,373 temporary workers compared with 30,060 permanent and 121,673 temporary employees at the same time last year with this showing that, whereas the number of employees is now not similar to the large number of wartime yet observers point out that the figures do indicate that expenses in this respect have not been reduced as anticipated might have been the case with the end of hostilities and effort made to cut the cost of government.

PROPOSED ARRANGMENT

It is understood that the proposed arrangement addressed by the government to Newfoundland if the result of the referendum in Newfoundland a favorable to its entry into confederation with Canada will be submitted to the Canadian Parliament

Legion Notes

The local Legionaires mourn the loss of a former comrade, Ernest Richardson, who was recently killed in an accident at the site of the St. Mary's Dam.

To pay a last tribute to this fallen comrade a representative body of the local Legion, led by the branch Executive was present at the funeral held in the Stake House on Saturday, March 20th at 14:00 hours. The casket was draped with the Union Jack during the service, and on the way to the cemetery, where appropriate ceremony, with the "Last Post" was carried out by the Legion.

The sympathy of the entire Legion is hereby extended to the family of the deceased.

Following the funeral, the Legion Executive met at a special meeting in the Town Hall at 16:30 hours. Reports of the various committees were heard and the splendid progress that has been made in preparation for the forthcoming Judo Exhibition in support of the Legion Hall is to be noted. Two and a half hours of fine entertainment with thirty participants of the best Japanese athletes will make up the program of the evening on Saturday, March 27th, at 7:30 p. m. in the Raymond Opera House. The high rate of the advance sale of tickets indicates the exceeding wide interest that the public is taking in this show sponsored by both the Canadian Legion and the Judo Supporters Association.

At the recent meeting of the Legion Building Committee final plans were outlined in connection with the early resumption of the construction

before any agreement is concluded.

DISCUSSIONS ON WHEAT

Following the international wheat agreement which Canada is a party, the question has been raised in Ottawa if this might mean that the wheat agreement with Britain would have to be reviewed. "Yes", said Trade Minister Howe. "That is proceeding". Discussions are taking place at the present time, not a review, but certain adjustments." Mr. Howe also made it clear that "the agreement was initiated subject to an understanding with Britain that the initialing of the agreement would be without prejudice to the settlement of the present United Kingdom-Canada wheat agreement."

POLICY AGAINST COMMUNISTS

The Canadian Government is apparently going ahead now with a policy of using existing laws and regulations to curb the infiltration of Communists into Canada.

"The position is simply that we have no more authority at the present time because of this view taken by the Government than we had before but that the present circumstances, known to us at this time, seem to make the law and the regulations applicable in such a way as to prevent the granting of entry to Canada to such persons," External Affairs St. Laurent emphasized in the House of Commons and he pointed out that Canada had always had the authority under certain circumstances. "We always had the authority if we had the evidence that the individual to whom it was to be applied came with in the terms of the statute and regulations and we feel nowhere are a number of persons with respect to whom we have that evidence."

ATTAINING OBJECTIVE

"I think, with due reserve, and I am essentially conservative in these estimates the program in its over-all aspects seems to be accomplishing the purpose we had in mind", Finance Minister Abbott said here about conservative measure taken on U.S. dollars. "We are not only holding the line, but instead of dropping \$70 to \$75 million a month of U.S. exchange, we were in February \$3 million up."

STATEMENT ON NEWFOUNDLAND

"The decision to include confederation on the ballot having been taken (continued on page 5)

work on the Legion Hall. Comrade Executive trusts that further support of the undertaking on behalf of the general public will continue. Further subscriptions to the fund are hereby gratefully acknowledged:

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However, to make this monopoly effective, it may be necessary that each provincial legislature pass a law permitting this government monopoly.

So this is your opportunity to protest against the extension of the monopoly. You were not given an opportunity to protest against the wheat monopoly. But YOU CAN AND SHOULD make protest now. Those who favour the monopoly are working tooth and nail to get control over your grain. You must fight against them with all your might.

IF YOU DON'T PROTEST NOW, and your neighbours, of like mind, don't protest now, you may have only yourself to blame. Provincial Legislatures may fall in line with Parliament and all those dependent upon grain growing for a living will be absolutely in the power of political pressure groups and so-called "farm leaders".

The Winnipeg Grain Exchange has endeavored to show wheat growers what monopoly has cost them. Controlling prices for wheat was a war measure. Nobody grumbled about that. But the monopoly was extended to peace times without even asking the consent of wheat growers, who, as a result, have lost hundreds of millions of dollars. They shouldered the burden, instead of it being paid by ALL THE TAXPAYERS.

If the Government monopoly is extended to oats and barley another link will be forged in the grain grower's Chain of Bondage.

YOU SHOULD LOOK AHEAD

It is the future, not the past, that is now most important to farmers. Think of the dangers that threaten you. No man, and no group of men, is WISE enough or GOOD enough TO BE TRUSTED WITH UNRESTRICTED POWER. "All power tends to corrupt . . . absolute power corrupts absolutely".

Your wheat is now marketed at POLITICAL PRICES and for POLITICAL PURPOSES. Oats and barley are subject to even more political pressure; and since VOTING POWER RESTS WITH CONSUMERS, there will be a constant political battle between producers and consumers . . . and PRODUCERS WILL BE THE LOSERS.

The Grain Exchange has done, and is doing all that it can to uphold the farmer's Freedom of Choice in selling his grain. Let those farmers who wish to sell through the Wheat Board do so; but demand the Right to sell your grain when, where and to whom you choose at prevailing market prices.

If you are Opposed to Government Monopoly and Compulsion

ACT QUICKLY BEFORE IT IS TOO LATE.

Write at once, or, better still, WIRE your Member of Parliament at Ottawa and your Provincial Representative in Regina, Edmonton or Winnipeg. State your strong objection to extending Government monopoly to oats and barley. Tell him you want freedom to choose between selling to the Wheat Board or on the free and open market, whichever is most profitable to you. Get neighbours who agree with your views to do it. The more protests received, the better. This may be your last opportunity to help yourself and keep politics out of your grain, but you must ACT QUICKLY—OTHERWISE YOUR PROTEST WILL BE TOO LATE.

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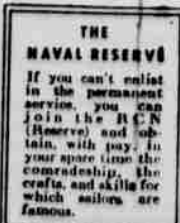
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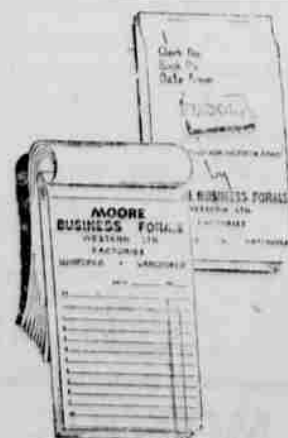
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